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CHICOPEE MOBILEHOME RENT CONTROL BOARD
FEBRUARY 9, 2022 @ 6:00 P.M.

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Joshua Clark, Maureen Cayer,

ALSO PRESENT ON ZOOM

Christine Pikula, Attorney to the Board

Chantal Paul, Secretary

Kelly Reid

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Joshua Clark: we have just a few items on our agenda today the first of which is the approval of the January 12, 2022 meeting minutes.

Maureen Cayer: Motion to approve the minutes.

Second on the Motion? Kelly Reid makes motion.

Motion passes unanimously.

Joshua Clark reads rules.....

We have petition from Westover Mobilehome Park which I understand has been withdrawn by the attorney who is representing the owner and is on a zoom call with us.

Attorney Scrimo moves to withdraw the Westover Mobilehome Park, we may resubmit it at a later date, but, of course, will notify the tenants.

Joshua Clark: Is there a motion to allow the park to withdraw their application for rent increase.

Maureen Cayer: I make a motion to allow Westover Mobilehome Park to withdraw their application for a rent increase.

Kelly Reid: I second the motion.

Joshua Clark: Motion has been made and seconded to allow the Westover Mobilehome Park owners to withdraw their request for a rent increase. Any questions or concerns on the motion?

Chantal Paul calls the role call: Joshua Clark – yes, Maureen Cayer – yes, Kelly Reid – yes.

Motion carries – *Motion passes unanimously.*

Joshua Clark: I want to remind you that this is the initial meeting, so no discussion of the rent increase, the amounts, what it is, we are just scheduling a meeting.

Our first proposal is Kon Tiki Mobilehome Park and the Holiday Mobilehome Park. Let me give you some dates so that you understand when things are going to be due. The deadline for the owners to provide information to the Board and to the tenants would be March 11th, that's 30 days from today. The tenants, after reviewing the information the owners have provided, the deadline for that is April 10th. 30 days from then would be May 10th or after because it cannot happen any earlier. Our hearing will May 11th @ 6:00 at the Library.

Christine Pikula: If you could just remind all tenants and owners that nothing that is submitted to the Board will be kept confidential, it's considered a public record, so if you don't want anyone to know, please do not disclose it.

Joshua Clark: That's very important, if you wish to provide letters to the Board, once it is given to the Board, it is a public document.

Tenant: We are allowed to have a lawyer, correct?

Joshua Clark: As the rules state, you may have representation, yes.

Kelly Reid: is there a protection from the tenants if there is retribution because of evidence given?

Christine Pikula: Yes, we can't give legal advice to the public, they would have to seek their own attorney, but what they could do is anyone can call the Hampden County Bar Association, or legal aide.

Joshua Clark: Here are the new dates...today is our initial meeting, the deadline for the owner to provide information will now be April 10th, the deadline for the tenants to provide information will be May 10th and the date of our hearing will be June 15, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

After May 10th, it will not be considered.

Motion to adjourn by Maureen Cayer and Kelly Reid @ 6:35 p.m.